



EPA Public Comment Opportunity
Univar USA, Inc. Corrective Action Proposal Portland, Oregon
August 24 to September 22, 2006

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites your comments on the Statement of Basis for the Proposed Remedy Selection under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) at the Univar USA facility located at 3950 NW Yeon Avenue in Portland, Oregon.

Six alternatives were evaluated in detail for cleaning up the site, and EPA selected Alternative 5 as the Proposed Remedy. The Proposed Remedy includes:

- extracting and treating contamination from the soil using a Soil Vapor Extraction System,
- installing several new wells to pump and treat contaminated groundwater,
- monitoring perimeter areas of the site that are recovering naturally,
- using institutional controls to limit groundwater use and restrict site activities, and
- using engineering controls to maintain paved surfaces at the site which act as a barrier.

Univar, formerly known as Van Waters and Rogers has been operating since 1947 as a facility for bulk chemical packaging, storage and distribution. Contamination at the site resulted from four chemical releases at the site between 1979 and 1985 in addition to small quantities of chemicals released during regular operations. EPA has been investigating and cleaning up contamination since Univar signed an Administrative Order on Consent in 1988.

Following the public comment period, EPA will select a final remedy and provide written response to comments. Send written comments **by September 22, 2006** to: **Howard Orlean, EPA Project Manager, 1200 Sixth Avenue, AWT-121, Seattle, WA 98101** or to **orlean.howard@epa.gov**. EPA will host a public meeting if enough people are interested. To request a meeting, contact Howard Orlean **before September 15**, at 206-553-2851.

For a copy of the Statement of Basis, contact Howard Orlean as described above or contact **Judy Smith at 503-326-6994 or smith.judy@epa.gov**. The Statement of Basis is also available on EPA's website: **<http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/OWCM.NSF/CorrectiveAction/Remedy>**. The Statement of Basis, Corrective Measures Study and other documents related to the cleanup are also available for review at the EPA Region 10 Library, 1200 6th Ave, Seattle, Washington, or by appointment (206-326-3250) at the EPA Oregon Operations Office, 811 SW Sixth Avenue, Portland, OR 97204.

For alternative formats, please contact Judy Smith. TTY users, please call the Federal Relay Service: 800-877-8339.